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25X1	l. Briefed Senator Everett Dirksen (R., Ill.) on the background of the case. Senator Dirksen was surprised to learn that the incident occurred nearly a year ago. He stated further that the doctor had come to see him only because of family connections in Illinois. Although there does not appear to be anything more that we can do in this case, I advised the Senator we would be available to provide information or assistance should he desire it.		
25X1	At his request, met with Mr. Samuel Archibald and Mr. William Barnaby, House Government Information Subcommittee, concerning the Agency press briefing of 9 January on Soviet economic problems. Mr. Archibald indicated that this is a matter of interest to the Committee and requested detailed information concerning the briefing itself; how it came about, who attended, who issued the invitations, and whether there have been other similar releases of CIA papers in the past and whether more are intended for the future. The forgoing is requested for Chairman Moss on his return early in the week.		
25X1	3. Talked with Senator George A. Smathers		
25X1	regarding his conversation with Mr. McCone on the possible employment for I told the Senator that in view of the curtailment in recruiting in professional fields and the existence of		
25X1	surplus personnel in many of these categories, we were unable to offer a position in the professional field. However, I told him that her medical and security processing had been virtually completed and we were confident that we could offer her a clerical position with the understanding that should a vacancy occur in a professional position for which she was qualified, we would be sure to give her every consideration. I emphasized that we could not anticipate at this time when such an opening would develop. In my presence, the Senator talked with and passed on this information. She indicated that her shorthand was not the best but she was definitely interested and is to be in touch with me on Monday morning.		

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25X1	4. Obtained from	n David Martin, in the	
25X1	office of Senator Thomas Dodd, a transcript of the testimony of		
25X1	At his request, Italked with Mr. James Knowles, of the Joint Economic Committee staff, regarding the Agency's statement "Soviet Economic Problems Multiply." Mr. Knowles had initially expressed considerable concern over the effect which this document might have on the material recently provided the Committee by the Agency for Committee release within the next six weeks. However, after some discussion, he decided that it might be a useful basis for hearings by the Committee; obtaining the views of prominent economists throughout the world on this subject. He said he might like to come to us for suggestions as to possible witnesses. After I briefed Knowles on the developments leading up to the NEW YORK TIMES article and the preparation of the paper, he asked if we could prepare a short paragraph covering this which he might use in distributing copies of the paper to members of the Joint Committee. I told him I was quite certain we could assist on an informal basis and emphasized that we wanted to cooperate with the Committee in any way possible.		
25X1	6. Talked with W	alter Besterman, House	
25X1	officially notifying that he was being placed in the leave-without- pay status pending final resolution of his case. I explained to Besterman that after we had signed the new contract and things seemed better they had		
25X1	gone from bad to worse and we were simply not event was in touch with the Subcomm Besterman's query, I said we had not yet arran thanked me for calling.	ittee. In regnongo to	
25X1	The Director, Helms and Mr. Warner, met with the CIA Subcopriations and Senate Armed Services for a two- Memorandum for the Record for details.	accompanied by Mr. committees of Senate Appro- hour meeting. See 25X	
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